

**From:** Weinstock, Larry  
**To:** ["wampler@gwu.edu"](mailto:wampler@gwu.edu)  
**Cc:** [Purifoy, Tiffany](#)  
**Subject:** RE: My FOIA requests  
**Date:** Friday, June 24, 2016 11:16:00 AM

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Bob,

I am writing to memorialize the results of this morning's call. We agreed to limit the Copenhagen FOIA (EPA-HQ-2010-000037) in the following manner: You accept all the restrictions in my previous email and you also agree to limit the search to documents emailed after October 1, 2009 and to the documents that were found in the search folders of Maurice LeFranc and Bill Irving. This has resulted in 1,389 documents for review which we should be able to complete in 2 months.

For future FOIAs we discussed using similar limitations to reduce the number of documents to be reviewed. We welcome your letting us know which of your FOIAs you want to start on next so we can agreed to the appropriate limitations so we can have more efficient searches of our email system and quicker reviews. In the future you will be working with Tiffany Purifoy. You should contact her with any questions.

Please send us a confirmatory email so we know that we have correctly characterized our agreement.

Thank you for your cooperation,  
Larry

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**From:** Bob Wampler [<mailto:wampler@gwu.edu>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 23, 2016 1:02 PM  
**To:** Weinstock, Larry <[Weinstock.Larry@epa.gov](mailto:Weinstock.Larry@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: My FOIA requests

Dear Larry (and please call me Bob)  
Would sometime between 10 and 11 am work?

Yours  
Bob

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**From:** Weinstock, Larry [<mailto:Weinstock.Larry@epa.gov>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 23, 2016 12:50 PM  
**To:** [wampler@gwu.edu](mailto:wampler@gwu.edu)  
**Cc:** Purifoy, Tiffany  
**Subject:** RE: My FOIA requests

Dear Mr Wampler,

I have just been informed that my computer is begin replaced tomorrow at 2:00. This means that while I can still do the call at 2:30 I cannot test in real time how big an impact it would have on the database to exclude documents with any specific terms you could suggest. If you and Tiffany have

any time in the morning, I have a meeting at 12, it might be a more productive call.

Thanks

Larry

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**From:** Bob Wampler [<mailto:wampler@gwu.edu>]

**Sent:** Wednesday, June 22, 2016 8:08 PM

**To:** Weinstock, Larry <[Weinstock.Larry@epa.gov](mailto:Weinstock.Larry@epa.gov)>

**Subject:** RE: My FOIA requests

**Importance:** High

Dear Mr. Weinstock,

Since sending you the message below, I remembered that tomorrow I will be out of the loop most of the day, so hopefully we can arrange to talk on Friday.

Yours

Bob Wampler

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**From:** Bob Wampler [<mailto:wampler@gwu.edu>]

**Sent:** Wednesday, June 22, 2016 8:00 PM

**To:** 'Weinstock.Larry@epa.gov'

**Cc:** 'National Security Archive National Security Archive'

**Subject:** My FOIA requests

**Importance:** High

Dear Mr. Weinstock,

I just received your e-mail (copied below), which was sent to our general e-mail address. We should talk again this week to try to further reduce the number of documents that should actually be reviewed for declassification and release. I thought that our earlier conversation had resulted in a significant reduction in the numbers, but clearly we need to come up with a better filter to more closely focus the review process. Please let me know if there is a good time for us to talk this week and a telephone number, and I will contact you. I appreciate your touching base with me and I hope that together we can discover a better set of filters that will identify additional categories of documents that can be considered not relevant to my requests, so that you can focus on the documents that are of the greatest interest and importance to understanding the role of the EPA in U.S. policy-making regarding the UNFCCC climate change negotiations and related meetings..

Yours

Bob Wampler

Senior Fellow

The National Security Archive

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From: **Weinstock, Larry** <[Weinstock.Larry@epa.gov](mailto:Weinstock.Larry@epa.gov)>

Date: Wed, Jun 22, 2016 at 3:39 PM

Subject: Follow-up to phone call conversation on Wampler OAR FOIA Requests

To: "[nsarchiv@gwu.edu](mailto:nsarchiv@gwu.edu)" <[nsarchiv@gwu.edu](mailto:nsarchiv@gwu.edu)>

**Please not that FOIA online did not have your email address attached to FOIA EPA-HQ-2010-000037. A copy of this correspondence is in the case file in FOIA Online but I am sending it to you**

**directly to ensure that you receive it.**

Dear Mr Wampler,

I am following up on a call we had to discuss your many FOIA requests. We are starting work on this FOIA (EPA-HQ-2010-000037). The electronic search of records returned 33,485 documents (emails plus attachments). Based on our discussion I have removed documents with the following terms: "Clean Air Act", endangerment, Murkowski (Senator Murkowski had a climate change related amendment). In addition I have removed emails with the following terms in their subject line: CAA, "Climate News", E-Clips, Politico (the last three are email newsletters). I believe that removing these terms is consistent with our discussion but please let me know if you want to include in our review any of the documents eliminated by these terms.

While the use of those few terms has removed almost 10,000 documents it still leaves 23,530 documents. As we discussed the Air Office will review at least 1,000 documents a month sending you a monthly set of the relevant and releasable documents. You will get your first set of documents on July 22<sup>nd</sup>. After we complete this FOIA you can select whichever FOIA from the attached list for us to complete next.

Thank you for your patience and please let us know if you have any suggestions for how to further reduce the number of documents to be reviewed.

Larry Weinstock

OAR Program Innovation Coordinator